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Sent: Mon 4/8/2013 4:37:42 PM
Subject: RE: Meeting Cancellation: Bacteria TWG 4/17 Meeting

Sounds good! Thanks, David.

From: WALTZ David [mailto:Waltz.David@deq.state.or.us]
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2013 1:53 PM
To: Wu, Jennifer; MICHIE Ryan; BRANNAN Kevin; FOSTER Eugene P; LOBOY Zach
Cc: Carlin, Jayne; Henning, Alan; Rueda, Helen; Leinenbach, Peter
Subject: RE: Meeting Cancellation: Bacteria TWG 4/17 Meeting

Jenny,

Thanks for the clarification and your herculean efforts to navigate the "budget impasse"!

We will dedicate part of the MidCoast check-in on Tuesday to identify all the various tasks that have been proposed for the remaining Cadmus contract funds, and make a decision on the next several stakeholder meetings.

Regards,

David

From: Wu, Jennifer [mailto:Wu.Jennifer@epa.gov]
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To: MICHIE Ryan; WALTZ David; BRANNAN Kevin; FOSTER Eugene P; LOBOY Zach
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Subject: RE: Meeting Cancellation: Bacteria TWG 4/17 Meeting

Hi All – I talked with Jayne and wanted to clarify what was happening with the funding. With the sequester, a lot has been over the last 2 weeks, so there's been confusion and changing messages over funding. We'll do our best to keep you up-to-date.

Currently, Oregon Consensus's funding is linked to a Task Order which expires on April 30, 2013 but is expected to be extended until May 14, 2013. In the past, we would've been able to roll over these funds to the next contracting period, but with the sequester, we have heard that we should spend the money or expect to lose it, hence, the ability to do extra HSPF and GIS tasks.

Beyond May 14, 2013, we have funding obligated to Mid-Coast TMDL facilitation support for over 2 years. However, there needs to be a new task order for the funding to be used. In the past, it hasn't been a problem to complete the task order and have it ready to go when the old task order expired so there was no gap. However, this year, mainly because of sequestration, there's a tighter look at doing task orders, releasing funds from EPA HQ to the regions, and receiving funding in general. This is another reason why we want to spend our region's allotment, because if we don't, EPA HQ may be less inclined to release all the funding they had originally designated to our region.

What this all means for the Midcoast TMDL meetings is that it would be better to have a facilitated meeting before May 14 so that funds could be spent from the existing task order. We should theoretically have our funds released and a new task order done for Oregon Consensus to facilitate a June meeting, but frustratingly, answers have been changing by the day. All the paperwork is done on our end, so it just needs to get processed in our Cincinnati office and funds released from Washington DC. Jayne and I will let you know about funding issues, since this obviously affects the planning for future meetings. The good news is that we were able to argue for a large amount of funding to support Oregon Consensus for the new contract.

- Jenny

From: MICHIE Ryan [Michie.Ryan@deq.state.or.us]
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Subject: RE: Meeting Cancellation: Bacteria TWG 4/17 Meeting

Hi all,

I was just on a conference call with EPA and learned that there might be complications with funding facilitation after May 14th. Jayne said it was preferable if we could change the meeting date to occur on or before the 14th. I'm not clear what happens after that date and will let Jayne or Jenny explain but if we can move the meeting it sounds like it might be best.

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Greetings Bacteria TWG Members,

I am writing to inform you that **the previously scheduled April 17 Bacteria TWG meeting will be postponed until May 15**. The May 15 meeting is scheduled to be held in Newport - time and location to be determined. Kevin was serving on jury duty a number of days over the last month, which has delayed progress on the necessary technical analysis. Kevin is finishing the setup of the water quality calibration for the Big Elk Creek watershed model and will present the preliminary results of the calibration and possible the uncertainty analysis at the May TWG meeting. We want to use your time efficiently and effectively and, as such, thought it would be best to delay the meeting. Also, Kevin will be soliciting your input on the Load Duration Curve results. He will distribute a list of watersheds and will request for you to identify ones that you could review the LDC results. If you have questions or topics you wish to discuss, please feel free to contact Kevin directly or "reply all" to this message for topics that would be beneficial for full TWG consideration.

Thanks for your continued efforts and feel free to contact Kevin or me with any questions or concerns.

Regards,

Peter

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